

Action Item Notes

Effectiveness Monitoring Committee Meeting

May 21, 2015
Redding, CAL FIRE Regional Office

Participants (16): Stu Farber, George Gentry, Drew Coe, Bill Condon, Sal Chinnici, Nick Kunz, Tom Engstrom, Clarence Hostler, Dr. Erin Kelly, Jim Burke, Matt Dias, Stacy Stanish, Bill Short, Dave Fowler, René LeClerc, and Pete Cafferata.

Webinar participants (4): Dr. Russ Henly, Amanda Culpepper, Katy Harrel, and Chuck Henderson.

EMC Strategic Plan Review and “Homework” Assignments

General document

- Stu Farber and Pete Cafferata to edit the revised Strategic Plan.
- Add “plan” to the list of acronyms, and state that it is defined in 895 of the FPRs.
- Renumber the various sections.
- Refer to AB 1492 Working Groups, rather than listing individual working groups.

Section 1.3 EMC Personnel and Funding

- Stu Farber and Russ Henly to add new bullet points under “critical needs identified” to address:
 - The public member reimbursement process.
 - Potential for “outreach” meetings to share information from EMC projects.
 - Obtaining other sources of information that may be needed to conduct EMC projects (e.g., LiDAR, air photos)
- Consider reordering the list in order of importance.

Section 2.1.1 BOF Committee Priorities

- Pete Cafferata to add a sentence addressing why cumulative effects is addressed in Section 2.1.2, while the other five priorities listed are not.

Section 2.1.2 BOF Cumulative Effects

- Stu Farber to write a sentence in the first paragraph stating that cumulative effects and impacts are used synonymously.

Section 2.1.8 Anadromous Fish Monitoring

- Stacy Stanish, working with Bill Condon and Dan Wilson, to write a discussion on turbidity monitoring as related to fish.

- Move Section 2.1.8 to Section 3 of the document.

Section 2.3 EMC Categories and Critical Monitoring Questions

- Stu Farber to renumber the critical monitoring questions.
- Replace “THPs” with “plans” in all the critical monitoring questions.
- Subcommittee composed of Drew Coe, Bill Condon, René LeClerc, and Tom Engstrom to write a paragraph on natural range of variability (NRV) and place it in a new Section 3.2.1. Remove reference to NRV in the critical questions.
- Remove Category 5. Erin Kelly and Stu Farber to write a new Section 3.1.1.
- Category 6: refer to “watercourse” crossings.
- Category 7: remove “identified with high risk” under bullet point (c).
- Category 8: change title to “Fish Habitat.” Stu Farber to change language to “maintain and restore” and add a new bullet point for coldwater fish that are not anadromous.

Section 2.4 Catalog of Ongoing Monitoring Projects

- Move this section to the Appendix.
- Pete Cafferata to reorder the table so that there are two sections—one for cooperative projects and one for individual projects.
- Pete Cafferata to write sentences explaining what is included in the table, defining “cooperative” projects, describing what is required for additional data entries, and stating that the table is recognized to be incomplete (including, but not limited to).

Section 3.1 Study Design within Adaptive Management

- Stu Farber to modify the first sentence, making it consistent with the EMC Charter.
- Erin Kelly to add a sentence explaining that a reasonable amount of effort will be placed in conducting a literature review as part of a critical question study plan.
- Erin Kelly and Stu Farber to write a paragraph on resource benefits vs. economic costs and place it in a new section 3.1.1 (See Section 2.3 notes).

Section 3.2.2 Rare or Large Event Monitoring

- Add back in (6) wildfire.

Section 4.0 Board—Adaptive Management Framework

- Move this section to 3.1 (prior to “Study Design within Adaptive Management”).

Next Meeting

- Potentially the week of June 22nd or July 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, or 15. George Gentry to send out a Doodle poll.

Note that “homework” assignments are to be submitted to Stu Farber, Russ Henly and George Gentry at least one week prior to the meeting date.